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TITLE OF INVENTION

Use of (R)-Penciclovir Triphosphate for the Manufacture of a Medicament for the Treatment of Viral Diseases

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments and remarks be made of record prior to examination of the above-cited application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 2.

Please amend the following claims:

~~Claim 4 (amended). [A] The method [, composition, or use] according to Claim 1 [, 2, or 3]
wherein the (R)-PCV-TP is in the form of a bioprecursor which is a derivative of (R)-PCV-
MP which liberates intracellularly (R)-PCV-MP which is in turn converted to (R)-PCV-TP.~~

Claim 5 (amended). A compound which is a bioprecursor of (R)-PCV-TP [, for use in the
method, use, or composition according to claim 1, 2, 3, or 4].

Please add the following claim:

Claim 8. The composition according to Claim 3 wherein the (R)-PCV-TP is in the form of a
bioprecursor which is a derivative of (R)- PCV-MP which liberates intracellularly (R)-PCV-
MP which is in turn converted to (R)-PCV-TP.

Claim 9. The compound according to Claim 5 wherein the bioprecursor h is a derivative of
(R)- PCV-MP which liberates intracellularly (R)-PCV-MP which is in turn converted to (R)-
PCV-TP.